

State/Local Government Records Commissions' Annual Awards for Records Management and Preservation

At their meetings on November 5, the State and Local Government Records Commissions established an annual awards program to recognize state agencies, publicly supported colleges and universities, local governments, and local historical entities that make special accomplishments in records management and/or preservation. Besides recognizing the deserving, the commissions intend for these awards to stimulate interest in good record-keeping practices throughout state and local government.

The awards, which will be presented annually, are Governor's Certificates of Appreciation. Information on award recipients will be published in *State and Local Records News* (the Government Records Division's newsletter); in press releases made available to the Alabama Press Association; and in publicity resources available to award recipients, such as newsletters published by state agencies or organizations of local government officials.

Nominations may be made by any interested party, an agency itself, by ADAH staff, or by members of the State or Local Government Records Commissions. Nominations must be submitted to the Government Records Division by **December 19, 2008**. Awards will be announced at the end of January and presented at the records commission meetings held in April 2009.

Detailed guidelines for the awards, along with nomination forms and procedures, are attached. If you have questions, please contact Richard Wang (334-353-4605; Richard.Wang@archives.alabama.gov) or Tom Turley (334-353-3607; Tom.Turley@archives.alabama.gov) at the ADAH Government Records Division.